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SUBJ::LEGAL REPRESENTATION AVAILABLE TO AMERICANS  
ARRESTED ABOARD.

1. THE SUBJECT OF AVAILABILITY AND RELATIVE QUALITY OF  
LEGAL COUNSEL FOR AMERICANS ARRESTED, ON TRIAL, OR IMPRISON-  
ED ABROAD IS BECOMING A MAJOR ISSUE IN THE DEPARTMENT'S  
DEALINGS WITH THE CONGRESS, THE MEDIA AND PARENTS GROUPS.  
IN ORDER FOR US TO MEET THIS ISSUE SUBSTANTIALLY, WE URGENT-  
LY NEED TO ACCUMULATE RELIABLE BACKGROUND DATA IN THIS AREA.

2. ALL ADDRESSEES ARE THEREFORE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE BRIEF  
RESPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON AN URGENT BASIS.  
REPLIES SHOULD BE TELEGRAPHIC AND SLUGGED FOR SCS.

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A. IS LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE "PUBLIC DEFENDER" TYPE PROVIDED  
GRATIS TO PRISONERS INCLUDING US NATIONALS WHO ARE  
UNABLE TO FUND PRIVATE COUNSEL?

B. IS SUCH LEGAL REPRESENTATION READILY AVAILABLE?

C. IN GENERAL, HOW DOES THE QUALITY OF PUBLIC FUNDED LEGAL

ASSISTANCE COMPARED WITH THE QUALITY OF PAID, PRIVATE  
COUNSEL? CHRISTOPHER

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